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SUBJECT: DEDICATION OF NEW MAIQUETIA INTERNATIONAS AIRPORT

REF: STATE 234416

1. BECAUSE ON DEC. 2 PRESIDENT CALDERA WILL DEPART IMMEDIATELY FROM MAIQUETIA TO MARGARITA TO DEDICATE NEW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ON THAT ISLAND, HE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE ABLE TO FLY IN C5A AS WE HAD HOPED NOR WILL HE BE AVAILABLE ON DEC. 3 AS HE HAS A BUSY PROGRAM OF INAUGURATING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN EASTERN VENEZUELA. HOWEVER, GOV IS AWARE OF OUR INVITATION AND HAS UNDOUBTEDLY INFORMALLY TOLD THE PRESIDENT OF OUR HOPE THAT HE COULD HAVE BEEN OUR GUEST. MEANWHILE, TOMORROW, DEC. 1, THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL FLIGHT TO WHICH I HAVE INVITED MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND MINISTERS OF INTERIOR, DEFENSE AND PRESIDENCY. WE HOPE ON DEC. 2 TO STAGE A SECOND FLIGHT UNDER AUSPICES OF MINISTER OF DEFENSE TO WHICH SENIOR OFFICERS OF ALL FOUR SERVICES WOULD BE INVITED. I HAVE LEFT SELECTION OF THESE POTENTIAL GUESTS TO MINISTER OF DEFENSE.

2. THERE WILL BE AMPLE PUBLICITY OF VISIT OF C5A SINCE IN ADDITION TO STATIC DISPLAY AT MAIQUETIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT THE

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PLANE WILL FLY TOMORROW AFTERNOON AT REQUEST OF MINISTER OF

COMMUNICATIONS TO EASTERN VENEZUELA AS LEAST A FAR AS BARCELONA,
CAPITAL OF ANZOATEGUI STATE. WE ARE ARRANGING ON RETURN FLIGHT
MONDAY, DEC. 3, TO FLY LOW OVER IMPORTANT WESTERN CITIES OF
MARACAY, VALENCIA AND MARACAIBO.
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